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MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT  
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SUBJECT: Lifting the No-Exceptions Policy (U)

In January 1980, the United States imposed sanctions on the Soviet Union because of its invasion of Afghanistan. One of those sanctions was the policy of permitting no exports of controlled high technology to the Soviet Union, which became known in COCOM as the "No-Exceptions Policy." (C)

In light of the Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan, I have determined that the No-Exceptions Policy should be lifted and that we should return to case-by-case consideration of export cases for the Soviet Union, both within the U.S. Government and in COCOM. This policy is effective as of May 27, 1989. (C)

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